Statement

Sr. No.	Name of the Bulk Drug
1	Vitamin C Plain
2	Vitamin C Coated
3	Sodium Ascorbate
4	Prednisolone
5	Rifampicin
6	Erythromycin Stearate
7	Ampicillin Trihydrate
8	Trimethoprim
9	Metronidazole
10	Metronidazole Benzoate
11	Pyrazinamide
12	Di-Ethyl Carbamazine Citrate
13	Ethambutol Hcl
14	Cloxacillin Sodium (Oral Grade)
15	Chloroquine Phosphate
16	Sulphamethoxazole
17	Tetracycline Hcl
18	Analgin
19	Amoxycillin Trihydrate
20	Cephalexin.

Ceiling price concept for formulations

1288. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN : Will the MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that bulk drugs are not available at a single uniform price from different sources; if so, why is the Ministry drafting the ceiling price concept for formulations;

(b) whether this concept results in the producers of formulations getting huge unintended benefits at the cost of the consumer as is presently happening in case of several formulations based on Ranitidine, Erthromycin, Betamethasone, Cemitidine, Carbamezapine, Oxytetracycline, etc. where ceiling prices have been fixed;

(c) whether it is a fact that undue benefit given to each formulator runs into crores per year and the money is giving rise to black money; and

(d) why has the Government been mislead on this issue by the bureaucracy. the full details in this regard and what action is being taken ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) and (b) Price of bulk drug is only one of the several inputs in the price of a formulation. Ceiling price concept is applied in accordance with para 9(6) of DPCO, 1987 in cases where it is considered necessary or expedient in order to achieve reasonability and uniformity in price of a widely used formulations manufactured by a number of formulators.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Manipulation in the consumption and cost of inputs

1289. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY :

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that cost of inputs and their consumption have been manipulated to fix high prices for Dexamethasone, Vitamin C and Ranitidine;

(b) who worked out the last revision in their price and what action has been taken for passing on indirect benefit of crores of rupees to the producers of these drugs;

(c) whether actual production of inputs, imports and their rates for the last three years have not been verified and what were the rates of these inputs on which last price revision was based and what are the actual rates at which the inputs have been procured and used after price revision;

(d) whether BICP would look into the prices of these drugs quickly; and

(e) whether any-body in the BICP is responsible for such a state of affairs ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) to (e) Prices of bulk Drugs Dexamethasone and Vitamin C have been fixed and revised from time to time in accordance with the provisions of DPCO, 1987. Cost-cum-technical study has been initiated by the BICP to determine the price of bulk drug Ranitidine.